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Application Number	09/740,345
Filing Date	December 18, 2000
First Named Inventor	Minoru Mukai
Art Unit	1773
Examiner Name	Uhliir, Nikolas J.
Attorney Docket Number	103152-2

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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ii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
b. Other _____

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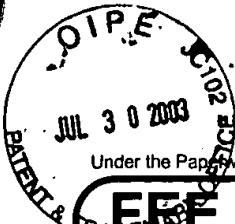
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT **(\\$)** **\$375.00**

Complete if Known

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	<input type="text"/>
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing	<input type="text"/>
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	<input type="text"/>
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1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	<input type="text"/>
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	<input type="text"/> -20** = 0	X <input type="text"/> = 0.00	<input type="text"/>
Independent Claims	<input type="text"/> -3** = 0	X <input type="text"/> = 0.00	<input type="text"/>
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	<input type="text"/>
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1053	130	1053	130	Non - English specification	<input type="text"/>
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	<input type="text"/>
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	<input type="text"/>
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	<input type="text"/>
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	<input type="text"/>
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1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	<input type="text"/>
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1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	<input type="text"/>
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